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## Coffee County Dept. of Human Resources reports investigating 29 cases of child abuse

Coffee County Dept. of Human Resources Director Ronald Smith has released the department's monthly report, and in the detailed report Smith stated the agency was operating smoothly and the results of a recent review of the county's Medicaid Waiver Program revealed the program was in excellent shape.

Community Resources supervisor Glenda Smith reported she had traveled to Tuscaloosa for an interview with the Alabama Public Television staff, and while at the television headquarters discussed the possibility of a series of shows on the network related to the Family Life Enrichment Program. The

network officials reportedly were interested in the series, and if funding could be acquired the shows could possibly be placed on the air. Smith also stated she was in the process of working out arrangements for more volunteers to work with the young mothers in the county. Smith explained the county was looking at expanding the local volunteer program and hoped to expand the use of volunteers in many agency areas.

Food Stamp Program supervisor Debbie Jones reported her department issued stamps to a total of 1,169 households during the past month, with the total number of members in the households being 2,952. Total amount of stamps issued amounted to \$112,301.

Jones stated it was another busy week at the Food Stamp Office and said there were two revocation hearings held in the Enterprise Circuit Court. Revocation hearings are held when a person who has been previously found guilty of fraud and has been ordered to repay a claim does not abide by the court order.

The judge in the revocation hearings has the authority to sentence the client to prison or give the client a second chance to abide by the order. In both cases last month the judge gave the clients a second chance and ordered monthly payments until the fraud payments are repaid.

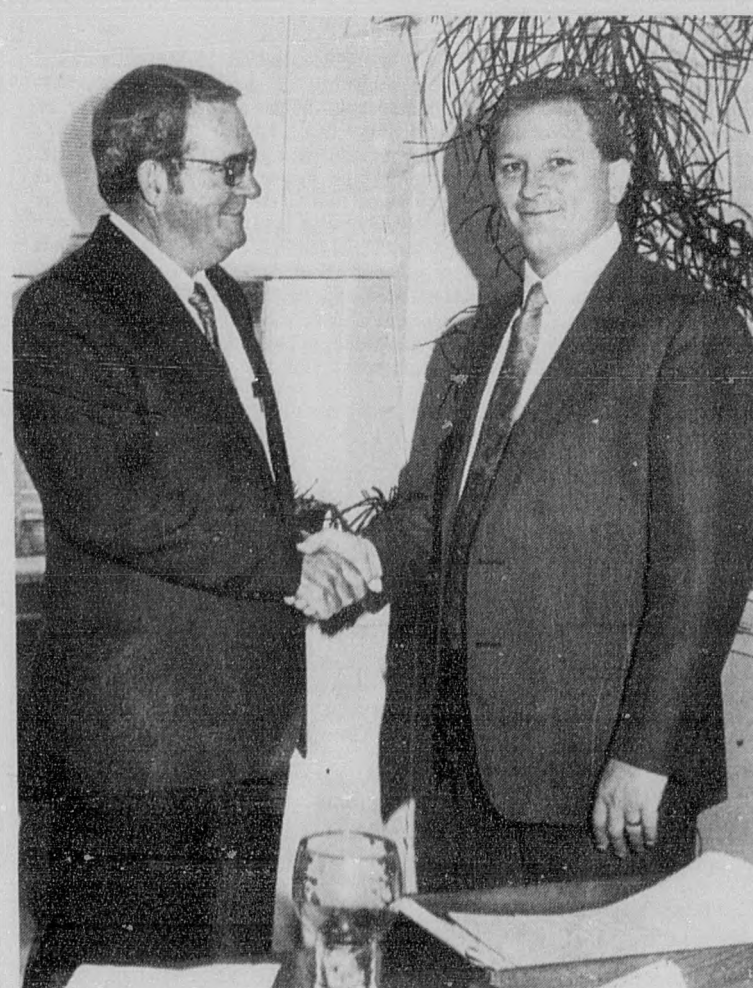
Eligibility and Child Support Unit supervisor Dianne Parker reported that the entire unit staff attended an ADC Corrective Action Meeting at the Enterprise State Junior College

in an attempt to identify errors that were noted most prevalent on a statewide basis. The staff reported the meeting was most successful and Jones stated it helped local workers zero in on problem areas.

Mrs. Jones also reported that a total of 37 child support cases were opened in the county during the past month, bringing the total county caseload to 1,411. Total child support collections for the month totaled \$34,631.52.

Service Unit supervisor Cathie Hansen stated her department investigated a total of 29 child abuse cases during the past month, with the cases being results of physical - 7; sexual - 8; and neglect - 14, in nature. The department also reported open cases totaling over 400.

Hansen also reported that the citizens of Coffee County were actively seeking ways to help the people of the county who have "nowhere to turn." She stated that in Enterprise most churches give funds to the Christian Mission, while a food closet had been established by the First Baptist Church in New Brockton, and in Elba the Minister's Benevolent Fund helped the hungry obtain food.



Coffee County Democratic Committee Chairman Bill Stokes congratulates newly appointed youth coordinator Eddie Vaughan. Vaughan will head the county's Alabama Young Democrats.

## Vaughan to head Young Democrats

Coffee County Democratic Committee chairman Bill Stokes announced last week that Eddie Vaughan of Elba had been appointed to the position of Youth Coordinator of the county committee, and Vaughan has announced plans to form an Alabama Young Democrats organization in the county.

Vaughan, age 26, stated in accepting the position, "Since I became of age to vote and started voting, I have always voted a

Democratic ticket. I recognize the need of the organization of Young Democrats and plan to devote my spare time to working on the local, county and state level for all nominees of the Democratic Party and its policies.

"Not only do we need to convince our young people to register," continued Vaughan, "we also must alert them to the manner in which today's issues will have an effect on their lives. It is surprising at the

number of young people who have been neglecting their right to register and vote, and how many just fail to go to the polls and exercise their right to vote.

"The purpose of the organization of Alabama Young Democrats in this area and other areas of Alabama is to first make the Young Democrats in the area aware of the issues that are facing them and the importance of registering, then the most important of all - get out and vote!"

## State PSC approves closing of local bus route

The Alabama Public Service Commission announced last week that it had approved a petition filed by Capital Motor Lines to abandon

passenger bus service between Elba and Florala via Opp and Andalusia, and that effective Sept. 9 the service would be terminated.

Capital Motor Lines, doing business as Capital Trailways, filed a petition on May 8, 1987, seeking authority to abandon the service on the local bus route and the Public Service Commission notified all governmental agencies, news media and civic organizations of the petition for a public hearing scheduled for July 9, 1987. No protests were recorded at the hearing, and no one appeared in opposition to the petition.

## Board ok's purchase of water tank

The Elba Water and Electric Board met in special session Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. with three of the five members present. Chairman Oscar Vaughan and member John W. Sharpless couldn't be reached by telephone, said City Clerk Dad English. Also present were English, board attorney Mark Vaughan and a representative of this newspaper. Also out of town was Supt. Mayor Bob English.

Board members were told by the clerk of the need to formally approve the emergency purchase of the water tank being installed at the Opp Highway site. Several board members noted they had been contacted on the phone about the matter but had expected a formal meeting to be called to make the matter legal.

Attorney Vaughan told the board members present he wasn't and wouldn't tell them everything would be alright by passing the motion, but in his judgement it was the best thing to do at this time.

After discussing the matter further, allowing the attorney time to read the Alabama law concerning the requirements of the bid law, the three members present voted to approve minutes that formally declared the purchase an emergency and go forward with the purchase of the tank.

Board member Mickey Murdock then asked, "What can we as board members do to insure this doesn't happen again in the future?" Both city council members Jack Prescott and Gladys Yelverton echoed his concern and vowed they were prepared to do whatever necessary to prevent such happenings again.

## Chief Lueck asked to resign

The New Brockton City Council members met in executive session Monday night following the regular meeting. Purpose of the closed session was the status of Police Chief Gordon Lueck's job.

Following the meeting it was revealed that Mayor Jim Driskell had asked Lueck to resign and the chief had refused. The mayor revealed he also asked Lueck to return to the police department some confiscated items.

The matter is still unsettled at presstime, but Driskell stated he hoped to call a special meeting within a few days to settle the matter once and for all.

Driskell said, "We met with Chief Lueck on August 17 and asked for his resignation following the council meeting. If he does not resign, I will recommend termination to the city council, based on job performance. At the same time I asked the chief to return any confiscated materials in his possession. He left and later returned with two pistols, a shotgun and a radar detector and indicated there was another pistol in possession of another person that would be returned later. We are currently contacting the District Attorney's office to find out what disposition should be taken on these weapons plus other weapons that have been confiscated and still are in the police department."

If no special meeting is called by the council, the matter will be handled at the Sept. 7 meeting, according to Driskell. He said he would make an effort to have all five members of the council present when any action is taken.

While making clear his position on the matter, the mayor several times said he was prepared to live with whatever decision the council made and "get on with business."



SENATOR RICHARD SHELBY addressed a large gathering of Coffee County citizens Thursday morning in the Enterprise courthouse. One of the things Shelby wants to work on is a plan to help people with major medical expenses. He wants something that will help people pay their bills without losing their homes, but he doesn't want to increase the federal deficit to solve this problem. "Pay As You Go" is the motto Shelby is using on this matter. Probate Judge Marion Brunson was in attendance from Elba.

## Rep. Dickinson to hold town meeting in Elba

U.S. Rep. Bill Dickinson, R-Ala., will hold 13 town hall meetings throughout the Second Congressional District in late August in an attempt "to continue the free exchange between representative and constituents on the various issues facing our nation today."

The congressman's schedule is as follows:

Monday, Aug. 24, 10 a.m. - Elba, Coffee County Courthouse - 3 p.m. - Enterprise City Council Room

Tuesday, Aug. 25 - 10 a.m. - Geneva City Courthouse, City Hall, 3 p.m. - Opp City Hall Chamber  
Wednesday - Aug. 26 - 3 p.m. - Montgomery Civic Center, Montgomery  
Monday, Aug. 31, 3 p.m. - Ozark City Courthouse, City Hall  
Tuesday, Sept. 1, 10 a.m. - Abbeville City Courthouse, City Hall, 3 p.m. - Eufaula City Council Room

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 10 a.m. - Courtroom, Crenshaw County Courthouse, Luverne, 3 p.m. - Courtroom, Pike County Courthouse, Tryon  
Thursday, Sept. 3, 10 a.m. - Evergreen City Courthouse, Greenville, 3 p.m. - Butler County Courthouse, Greenville  
Friday, Sept. 4, 2 p.m. - City Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Dothan.



## VISITOR TO ELBA LEARNS HISTORY OF CITY

Akiko Niya, a resident of Tokyo, Japan, received a brief history lesson from Coffee County Probate Judge Marion Brunson during a visit to the historic Coffee County Courthouse in Dothan. Akiko, age 19, has studied English for seven years in Japanese schools and is currently attending Sofia University in Tokyo, studying sociology.

Elba native Major Ken Manning, now stationed at the Yokota Air Force Base in Japan, and Akiko's father, Col. Teesuji Niya, work together at the airfield and arranged for her to visit his home in Alabama. While visiting Elba, Akiko is staying at the home of Terry and Judy Oglesby, relatives of Major Manning.

Probate Judge Marion Brunson explained the history of Elba to Akiko during her visit to the courthouse and pictured above showed the visitor a painting depicting how Elba got its name. Akiko arrived in Alabama on August 3 and will depart for her native country on August 31.



## Brainstorms

By Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The New Brockton police chief situation is still brewing. Chief Gordon Lueck has been sick, in the hospital, etc., for several months and now he has been asked to resign. He refused - and here we go. We share the embarrassment to the people and officials of our neighbor, having sat through some of those type meetings a few times ourselves. We just hope the matter is settled and soon, for the benefit of all concerned.

Senator Richard Shelby visited Coffee County last Thursday in the middle of all that rain. One strong Democrat wanted to blame the rain on the Republicans but Shelby felt it would be good for him to claim a little credit, especially around his peanut farmer supporters. While he admitted he really couldn't control the rain, he surely wasn't going to complain about it in the farming communities of South Alabama.

The Elba Water and Electric Board met Tuesday in a hurriedly-called meeting. Only three members were present but they took action in an effort to legalize a major purchase that had already been made and couldn't be returned. We did a lot of complaining about this matter because it just ain't right. Looking back we are upset that it happened and downright mad that folks would put us in the position of being such a sound-so in an effort to get things done the way we all know they should be done. After talking with the Alabama Attorney General's office Monday and again calling city hall, we were mad enough to bite a ten penny nail right then. It isn't right yet, but in fairness to the members of the board, they have done all they can reasonably do to clear up the matter. The expenditure of \$30-\$40 thousand isn't to be passed off as routine operations and we wholeheartedly agree with board member Mickey Murdock and the others present that they should take steps to insure nothing like this ever happens again.



GRAND OPENING AT ELBA FRAME & GIFT . . . Elba Frame & Gift, Elba's newest business, held its Grand Opening Tuesday, Aug. 18. The business, located one block off the square on W. Davis St., offers shoppers a complete line of unique gifts, frames and one-of-a-kind handmade items. The new business is owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Ken English of Elba. Taking part in ribbon-cutting ceremonies Tuesday were L-R: Ken English, Little Miss Elba Andrea Carley, Kyle English, Patsy English, Jennifer English, Mrs. Nellie Martin, Miss Elba Jennifer Smith and Elba Chamber of Commerce president Mike McGuire.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

The 1987-88 school year has now begun and the first football game is just one week away, and the Zion Chapel Band will appear for the first time in their new uniforms.

But, we need to go back several months to the beginning of this story.

During the latter half of the school year, Mr. Seaton, the band and the Zion Chapel Band began a campaign to raise money for new uniforms. This money could not have been raised without the effort from our school community and the Elba business community.

We would like to thank all these people and all the businesses and merchants for their help and support.

ZION CHAPEL BAND BOOSTERS  
HARVEY BOWLIN  
DAVID SEANOR, director

Dear Editor,

Our latest report on the Rescue Squad Fund Drive shows the drive has picked up speed. We haven't reached our goal of \$2000 yet, but we feel confident that everyone will pitch in for the final effort.

We have ordered the radio which will be installed and ready for operation by Sept. 1. This will be another "first" for the squad.

Our intermediate technicians plan to attend the Paramedic course in Enterprise next month. This is a 9-month course and is as high as we can go as technicians.

Most of our donations have come from individuals, and we would like to urge our businesses to join in the drive and let's push the thermometer in front of the squad building right over the top!

Our humble thanks to all those who have helped.

SONNY INMAN, Captain

## ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Dept. reported an active week with a total of six traffic citations issued for driving under the influence, no driver's license - 2, following too close and speeding - 2. Following are daily activity reports:

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 11**  
Activity included a burglary involving a church van (9:26 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12**  
Routine activity reported.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 13**  
Activity included a wreck at the intersection of Tucker and 84 West (9:36 a.m.), a wreck on Davis St. (9:40 a.m.), a wreck across the Pea River Bridge on 84 (4:29 p.m.), a wreck at the Piggy Wiggy parking lot (4:55 p.m.), and a wreck on Taylor Mill Road (6:11 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14**  
Activity included a subject with a gun on West St. (7:59 p.m.) and a prowler on Taylor Mill Road (10:54 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15**  
Activity included a wreck on 84 West at the county line (5:16 a.m.) and a wreck at Hardee's (6:59 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16**  
Activity included a possible breaking and entering at Kennedy Estates (9:47 p.m.).

**MONDAY, AUGUST 17**  
Activity included a prowler on Addison St. (12:02 a.m.), a prowler on Davis St. (2:31 p.m.) and a possible wreck at the Gulf station (8:44 p.m.).

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 18**  
Activity included a wreck at the intersection of Tucker and 84 West (9:36 a.m.), a wreck on Davis St. (9:40 a.m.), a wreck across the Pea River Bridge on 84 (4:29 p.m.), a wreck at the Piggy Wiggy parking lot (4:55 p.m.), and a wreck on Taylor Mill Road (6:11 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19**  
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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 20**  
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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 21**  
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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 22**  
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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23**  
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**MONDAY, AUGUST 24**  
Activity included a wreck at the intersection of Tucker and 84 West (9:36 a.m.), a wreck on Davis St. (9:40 a.m.), a wreck across the Pea River Bridge on 84 (4:29 p.m.), a wreck at the Piggy Wiggy parking lot (4:55 p.m.), and a wreck on Taylor Mill Road (6:11 p.m.).

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 25**  
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**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26**  
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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 27**  
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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 28**  
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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 29**  
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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 30**  
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Mr. and Mrs. Winslow Matthews

## Mr. & Mrs. Matthews Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Winslow Matthews were honored on their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a reception hosted by their children and grandchildren in the Community

Room of The Peoples Bank on June 28. Receiving with the Matthews' were their daughters, Mrs. Judy Prater and Mrs. Vivian Hargrove. Presiding at the registry table was Mrs. Evelyn Kelley. Gifts were received by granddaughters Beverly Free and Shannon Hargrove.

Napkins were passed out by granddaughter Alyson Prater. Presiding at the cake table were friends of the family, Mrs. Betty Fuller and Mrs. Jo Daniels, and niece Kelley Bryan. Mrs. Sue Bryan served at the punch table.

The Matthews' were married July 4, 1937, in Elba. They still live very near the location where they were married 50 years ago.

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## Socials

### Deana Farris Celebrates 6th Birthday

Deana Farris celebrated her 6th birthday July 11th with a pool party at the Elba Recreation Area. The party was given by Deana's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Farris. Swimming was enjoyed by everyone. Refreshments consisted of kool aid, and a party bag filled with cupcakes (made and decorated by the birthday girl), potato chips, and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

Enjoying the pool with Deana were Emily, Lou Ann, Hubert Ray Bryn, Chippee, Sue and Marsha Maudin, Amy, Chad and Glenda Bryan, Christy, Chad, Shelly and Michael Smith, Dana, Katie and Debbie Biggs, Nathan Prichard, Vaughan Boyd, Melissa and Emilee Bimbo, Justin and Anna Maddox, Bevelite Bimbo, Aaron Powell, Matthew, Elizabeth, Phil and Susie Farris, Angie and Marti Crocker, her aunt, Freida Bullard, her uncle, Mack Davis, her sisters, Kimberly and Katrina, and her brother Brandon.

Grandparents attending were Charles and Helen Farris, and Dixie Davis.

**Elba Band Students Selling Band Calendars**

The Elba Band doosters have a community calendar sale underway which began August 11 and will run through August 21. Calendars may be bought from any band student, or by contacting Debra Samuel - 897-6897. Prices are \$2.50 per calendar and 25 cents per listing. Proceeds will go toward furnishing the new band room.



DEANA FARRIS

**New Arrivals**

**MALLORY PAIGE ALLEN**  
August 20-21 - 24-28  
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**ROMULUS JOSEPH CIRONE**  
Cpt. Emil Anthony and Cynthia Moore announce the birth of their son, Romulus Joseph, on Thursday, August 6, at the U.S. Army Hospital in Frankfurt, Germany. The new arrival weighed 6 lbs. 5 ozs.

Grandparents are Robert and Sybil Hahn of Elba, and Romolo and Mary Cirone of Burlington, Ontario, Canada.

**Class Of 1977 Are Planning Class Reunion**

All members of the Elba High School Class of 1977 are requested to send their addresses to Jeanette Miles Donaldson, 1040 Sunset Blvd., Elba, AL 36523, or call Jeanette at 205/897-3802; as soon as possible.

The class is planning a reunion on Oct. 16-17, the weekend of the Elba - Troy football game.

All members are urged to attend the reunion and anyone wishing to help with the planning should contact one of the following: Jeanette Donaldson; Rhonda Bozeman Brunson, Kathy Whitman Mularz, Roxie Donaldson Doster, Sami Reeves Greel, Tim Morrow or Stephen McCollough.



Jennifer Lee Boutwell

### Boutwells Are Proud New Parents Of Baby Girl

JENNIFER LEE BOUTWELL  
Mr. and Mrs. David Alan Boutwell of Birmingham announce the birth of a daughter, Jennifer Lee, on August 11, at Baptist Medical Center, Montclair, Birmingham. The new arrival weighed 5 lbs. 13 ozs. and measured 20 1/2 inches long.



### Kemberly Kayla Fish Is Two Years Old

Kemberly Kayla Fish, daughter of Cecil and Cindy Fish of Elba, celebrated her second birthday August 8, with a party at her home in the afternoon. Kayla's birthday cake was a Raggedy Ann and Andy. Other refreshments included her favorites - ice cream, candy, chip 'n dip and punch.

Family guests helping her celebrate were her sister Amanda Kaye, age 4; grandmother Brunie Smith of Jack; great grandparents Willard and Katie Smith, Jack; grandfather Berlin Dyess, Elba, and Aunt and cousin Angela Daniels.

### A RESOLUTION

**RESOLVED**, That on behalf of the members of the Elba Chapter #323, Order of the Eastern Star, these resolutions be adopted as a tribute to the memory of our beloved brother, L.B. Plant, in whose death on July 17, 1987, we have lost one of our most beloved members.

His graciousness, sympathy, and unfeigned kindness endeared him to his associates; while his strength of character, sincerity and high ideals won their genuine respect.

Our deep sympathy for the members of his family mingles with our own sorrow at the loss of one whose death robs both his home and the chapter of a gracious and inspiring presence.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of these resolutions be included in the minutes of the chapter, and that a copy be published in the local newspaper, and that a copy be sent to the family as an expression of our sympathy in the great loss sustained in his death.

THIS the 13th day of August, 1987.

/s/ EVELYN W. HOCUTT  
Worthy Matron

/s/ M.W. JOHNSTON  
Worthy Patron

/s/ FELICIA REVEL  
Secretary

### Have your surgery done in Elba . . . .

**Dr. Charles Conners, associated with Flowers Hospital in Dothan, is in Elba each Thursday to perform surgery**

Appointments may be made by calling Elba General Hospital - 897-2257 or by referral from either Dr. Dyess or Dr. Cochran

Dr. Conners is a Board-certified surgeon

### New Arrival

ASHTON GAIL GRIMES  
Bryan and Anita Grimes announce the birth of their daughter, Ashton Gail, on August 6 at an Enterprise hospital. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 20 inches long.

The new arrival was welcomed home by her brother, Britt, soon-to-be-five. Grandparents are Bowden and Claire Sessions, Fairview Community, and Durwood and Marylene Grimes of Curtis Community.



LINCOLN GARDEN CLUB YARD OF THE MONTH

**FORMER ELBA RESIDENT SHOWS GREEN THUMB . . .** Mrs. Rosalyn Talladega, a former Elba resident who now resides on Logan Martin Lake near Talladega, was awarded the Lincoln Garden Club's "Yard of the Month" award in July. The yard was picked for its overall neatness and its vast array of flowers. Several flower gardens are placed throughout the yard and the flowers blooming in July include petunias, roses and impatiens.

Mrs. Ham, the wife of Steven Ham, learned her gardening expertise from her mother, the late Mrs. Dove Johnson, whose lovely flower garden was always a source of conversation in the city.

Presenting the award in the accompanying picture is Garden Club president Mary Baggett.

### Elba Lunchroom Menus

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# SPORTS

## Views From The Pressbox By, Ricky Mularz

The high school football season starts next week and that means things will get a little hectic here at the office as we stock up on film, get all the cameras ready to go and schedule assignments for the four sports reporters who help cover all the local teams. It's not easy for a weekly newspaper to cover five teams each week; however, that's what we've got planned and we promise to do our best to give your favorite team the coverage they deserve!

### NUMBERS ARE DOWN, BUT TALENT IS STILL THERE

It looks a little strange to go to practice at Elba High and see only 36 players dressed out, but I guess that's about the average size of a 3A squad, and like it or not - the Elba Tigers are a medium-sized 3A squad. The days of having 45-50 players are probably gone forever simply because the student population isn't there, and that is just a fact.

Don't feel sorry for the Tigers, however, because while the size of the team is down, the talent is still there, and with a little luck the Tigers have an excellent shot at making yet another run at a state football crown. The obvious drawback to not having a large squad is a lack of depth and that will be a definite factor on the Elba sidelines this season as several players will be forced to play on both offense and defense throughout the game. In recent years Elba was able to platoon players and give them rest during the course of the game, which helped the Tigers wear folks down, but this won't be the case this season and it will be interesting to see how the Tiger coaches adjust. Now to the team... I have watched a couple of practices and talked with Coach Wood several times and I am convinced the Tigers have the ability to win a bunch of ball games. When a team with only 36 players has to play teams like Ozark, Geneva, Opp, Andalusia, Troy and Pike County, the going can get tough, but if the Tigers can stay free from injuries and improve every game, they still have enough talent to battle anybody on any given night! Keys for Elba on offense will be how well quarterback Jason Johnson can step in and handle the attack, and how well the Tiger offense can move the ball on the ground without an outstanding running back. Over on defense the Tigers must fill the shoes of two linebackers and also solidify the ends. A very tough early schedule will help the coaches know in a hurry just what they have and after four weeks the future of the Tigers will be clearer.

### VISIT TO COUNTY SCHOOLS REVEALS MAJOR DIFFERENCES

I visited both New Brockton and Zion Chapel last week to watch football practice, and while the schools are in the same system and both in the same area - that is where the similarities end! At New Brockton the Gamecocks have 34 players out for football and the team is filled with proven vets; while up at Zion Chapel only about 25 players are dressed out and the Rebels have only a handful of players with any experience at all. Here is a quick look at both squads:

\*\*\*New Brockton posted 10 wins last season, and although the Gamecocks lost a couple of very good backs, Coach Leavy Boutwell's squad is loaded with talent in the line and seems ready to make a serious run at the state 2A title. I'm not putting the monkey on the team's back; however, a good line can dominate a football game at any level and the Gamecocks have a line as good as any around and in the 2A ranks could be awesome. There are question marks for sure, but from early appearances New Brockton seems ready to continue piling up the wins in '87.

\*\*\*Zion Chapel has had a problem getting the players out in recent years and when you consider the Rebels have lost 26 players over the last two years due to graduation or transfers, it's not too hard to figure out where the problems will lie once again in '87. Coach Tom Moates has a very good batch of upcoming sophomores and a promising group of freshmen; however, there is practically no experience on the team and it will take several weeks before the Rebels will be running on all cylinders. The Rebels do have a lot of pride and that pride will be important early if the Rebs hope to post a winning record. I didn't make it to Kinston last week, but I'll visit the Bulldog camp this week and let you know in my pre-season report what to expect.

### IF YOU CAN'T WAIT, A COUPLE OF GAMES WILL BE ON NEXT THURSDAY

As the high school football season nears, most real fans get more than a little itchy to see a game, and for those of us in that category there are some games scheduled for next Thursday we can watch to whet our appetite. Some of the local games include Dozer at Luverne, Florala at Red Level and Bullock County at Charles Henderson (Troy); while up the road a bit Northview will battle Lanier in Montgomery. I don't know where I'll end up, but odds are I'll find a game to watch!

### A FAMILIAR NAME PLAYING WITH THE BEARS

If you watched Sunday night's pro football game on ESPN you noticed the name of former Opp Bearss and Auburn University standout Tim Jessie as a running back. Jessie has reportedly signed a two-year pact with the Bears and feels right at home hitting the night spots with teammates Walter Payton and Jim McMahon. Jessie is tough, a trait Bears Coach Mike Ditka has to like, and all local folks are hoping Jessie can step in and make it big.

### A LONG SEASON FINALLY CAME TO AN END

The long softball season finally came to an end for me last weekend in Dothan at the Men's Church state tournament, and for me it came not one week too soon! Gaines Waters and I both umpired a number of post-season tournaments this summer, and while the tournaments were fun at first, I got tired of umpiring a long time ago and was counting the days until the season would finally end. While the journey in Dothan was fun - despite the rain - it also was a journey Gaines and I will never forget! We got the chance to umpire together Saturday morning, and as luck would have it the 8 a.m. game lasted 12 innings and almost 1 1/2 hours. Well, with a little luck of the other kind we got the field back on time by the start of the 11 o'clock game, and when the game reached the seventh inning at 11:30 we were smiling because we knew we'd not only caught up but gotten ahead of all the other fields. The good luck didn't last long, however, because the home team tied the game in the bottom of the inning, and before anyone claimed the win the ball game had lasted 16 innings and the field was almost a full hour behind! To make matters worse, I had to umpire the next game, and by the time it was over my one-hour break was long since over and I had to return to the field for another two-game stint. What started as a simple morning session had turned into an 11 a.m.-until-4 p.m. marathon for me, and when I finally got a break I assure you my feet were crying for help. Oh well - at least it's over!!

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## Westside Baptist Wins Church Softball

Westside Baptist Church posted two wins last week to finish the Church Softball League with a perfect 6-0 record and claim the league championship. Following are

highlights of last week's action:

Westside Baptist 9  
First Baptist 8  
Gary Kelley slugged a two-home

homer in the seventh inning to lift Westside Baptist to an exciting 9-8 win over First Baptist.  
First Baptist jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead and led 5-1 after three

innings, but Westside rallied to cut the lead to 8-7 in the sixth and then used Kelley's home-run in the seventh to wrap up the win.  
Greg Ellenburg and Gary Kelley got 3 hits apiece for Westside, while Wynn Grimes added 2. Rhett McCollough and Kenneth Strong got 3 hits each for First Baptist, and Kim, Burch and Mickey all added 2.

Westside Baptist 14  
United Methodist 9  
Westside Baptist jumped out to a big early lead and held on to nip Elba United Methodist 14-9.

Westside pulled out to a quick 6-0 lead in the first inning, but saw the Methodists rally to cut the lead to 7-6 in the third and then had to regain command to post the win and finish the season undefeated!

Gary Kelley and Rachel Moore got 3 hits each to lead Westside, while Robert Kirkland, Greg Ellenburg and Jimmy DuBose all added 2.

Kris Scarborough and Kenneth Bate don't know where we are at this point in practice," stated Coach Wood, "and it seems there is something missing - but I can't put

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Season tickets for five Jacksonville State University home football games went on sale Monday, August 17. Gamecock Athletic Director Jerry Cole has announced.

Reserved chairback seats will be on sale for \$45, while reserved seats tickets are \$30 per person. Season end zone and general admission tickets will be available for \$15 each. Cole also announced a new ticket policy that accommodates groups, families, youth organizations, military personnel and senior citizens. In addition to general admission seating, selected reserved seat sections are being sold for \$3 per person.

Jacksonville State's five home games are:

Sept. 12 - Alabama A & M, 2 p.m.  
Oct. 3 - Valdosta State (HC), 2 p.m.  
Oct. 17 - Delta State, 7 p.m.  
Oct. 31 - Tennessee-Martin, 2 p.m.  
Nov. 21 - Livingston - 2 p.m.  
For further information call 231-5500.



Coach Tom Moates

## Zion Chapel Rebels Splash Thru Practices As

### Season Opener Against Arition Draws Near

The Zion Chapel Rebels splashed through football practice last week in preparation for the season opener on August 28 against Arition, and despite the wet conditions Coach Tom Moates reported the squad was ahead of schedule and showing improvement every day!

"Back during the first three days of practice we were in shorts and worked primarily on conditioning and fundamentals," stated Coach Moates, "but since we've put on the pads we've shown improvement every day and are actually ahead of schedule. We're still working on the fundamentals and conditioning and doing a lot of teamwork to help the team develop a team personality."

"The defense is way ahead of the offense right now, so we are spending about 85 percent of our time on offense, but that will start equaling out pretty soon and we hope by the end of the week we'll be ready to go. Overall we're ahead of schedule, but I assure you we've got a long way to go!"

A total of 25 players make up the Rebel squad, but only five of the players are seniors, and with only

## Gamecocks Are Hard At Work

The New Brockton Gamecocks have been hard at work in preparation for the season opener against the powerful Daleville Warhawks and Coach Leavy Boutwell reports the Gamecocks are beginning to put on their game faces as the actual kickoff draws near.

"We're starting to come around as a whole," stated Coach Boutwell, "and the team has finally begun to have its own personality. We've established a tradition here at New Brockton in football and the players know that and are beginning to get that Gamecock look in their eyes!"

Coach Boutwell reported that a total of 34 players are on the 1987 edition of the Gamecocks and the team boasts veteran players across the front on both sides of the ball, but has no experience in the backfield.

"We've got a real young club overall," stated Boutwell, "and especially at the backfield positions where we got wiped out by graduation. If the younger players can come around in a hurry and we have good luck with injuries, we could have a good team; if not, we could



struggle. "The first three days of practice this fall we went out in shorts and worked primarily on conditioning, quickness, timing and the kicking game. The first couple of days in pads we didn't do much, but last week the practices started picking up and last Tuesday and Wednesday we had winning practices!"

"This week we play to scrimmage several days to find out if we're ready to hit folks, and we'll continue to work on fundamentals and conditioning and begin to put in a game plan for Daleville."

## Elba Pools Change Hours Of Operation

The Elba city pools will change their hours of operation beginning Wednesday, August 19, and continuing until Labor Day.

New pool hours will be from 2

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Labor Day will be the final day the pool is open this summer.

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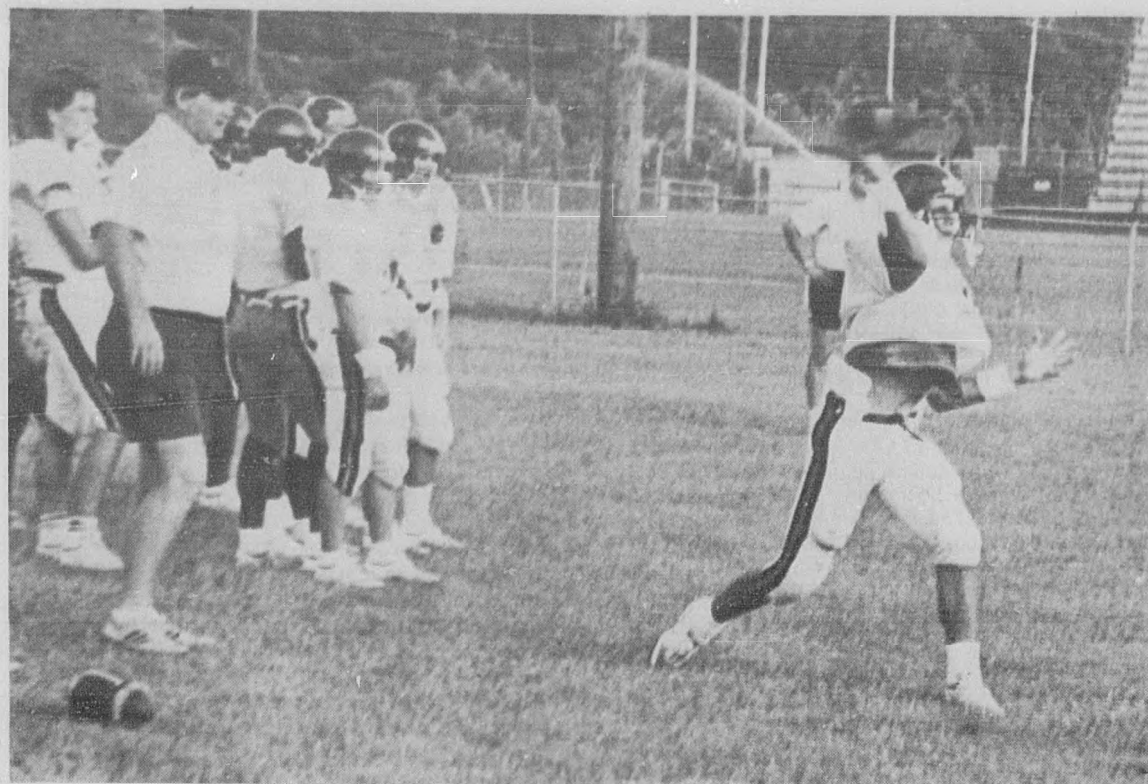
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Elba assistant football coach Hank Kennedy watches as Tiger quarterback Jason Johnson throws a pass during recent football practice at Elba High School. Johnson, a senior, will lead the Tigers from the quarterback position this fall.



Elba assistant football coach Rick Rainer instructs linebackers during practice last week. The Tigers were rained in only once last week as they continued working toward next Friday night's season opener against Ozark.

## Elba's Coach Wood States Tigers Are Way Behind Schedule

With the season opener against Carroll of Ozark only a little more than one week away, Elba's Coach Mack Wood reports his Tigers are way behind schedule and in need of a spark to liven things up prior to the beginning of the season.

"I really don't know where we are at this point in practice," stated Coach Wood, "and it seems there is something missing - but I can't put

my finger on it. I do know one thing, however - we've got a lot of work to do before we'll be ready to play our first football game against Ozark!"

"We had pretty good practices last week, Monday through Wednesday, and actually got a lot done Thursday, even though we had to go in the gym because of the rain," added Wood. "We held a controlled scrimmage Friday and the

defense got the best of it.

"The defense was hitting well and really got in some good shots, but on the other side of the ball the offense looked a little weak and the blocking wasn't sharp at all."

"We worked more on defense last week than in previous weeks and it showed a lot of improvement in the scrimmage."

"This week we'll spend a great

deal of time on fundamentals and try to find some depth," stated Wood. "We may have to move some folks around to give us the depth we need at some positions, but we'll do what it takes and this will be the time to do it."

"Since the offense is way behind we'll have to spend a lot of time catching up offensively, especially in the offensive line, where we are the

weakest. "In the line we're at the point where we'll just have to find some good kids who are willing to work and teach 'em how to block."

"We're not ready to play anybody," added Coach Wood, "but we're going to work hard and try to do our best every day. We've got some potential, and if it finally shows, we'll be in pretty good shape,

but the time is now for it to show and for the players to begin looking like winners."

Coach Wood praised the efforts of a number of players for their play last week, including Keith Rodgers, Jason Hodge, Troy Sanders, Cappa Wise and Larry Dixon on defense and Joseph McCollough, Jason Johnson and Reggie Horstead on offense.

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### 40 Softball League

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The Green jumped out to a quick 7-1 lead and pulled away late to post the easy win.

Harrison, Scarborough and Kelley all got 3 hits for the Green, while Manning, Ammons, Kelley and Thomas all added 2.

Tillis got 3 hits for the Red, while DeVaughan, Rayburn, Kelley and Kyle all added 2.

### No Riders Allowed

"No riders allowed!" should be the strict rule on all farm equipment to prevent tragic deaths and injuries, says the Alabama Association of Future Farmers of America.

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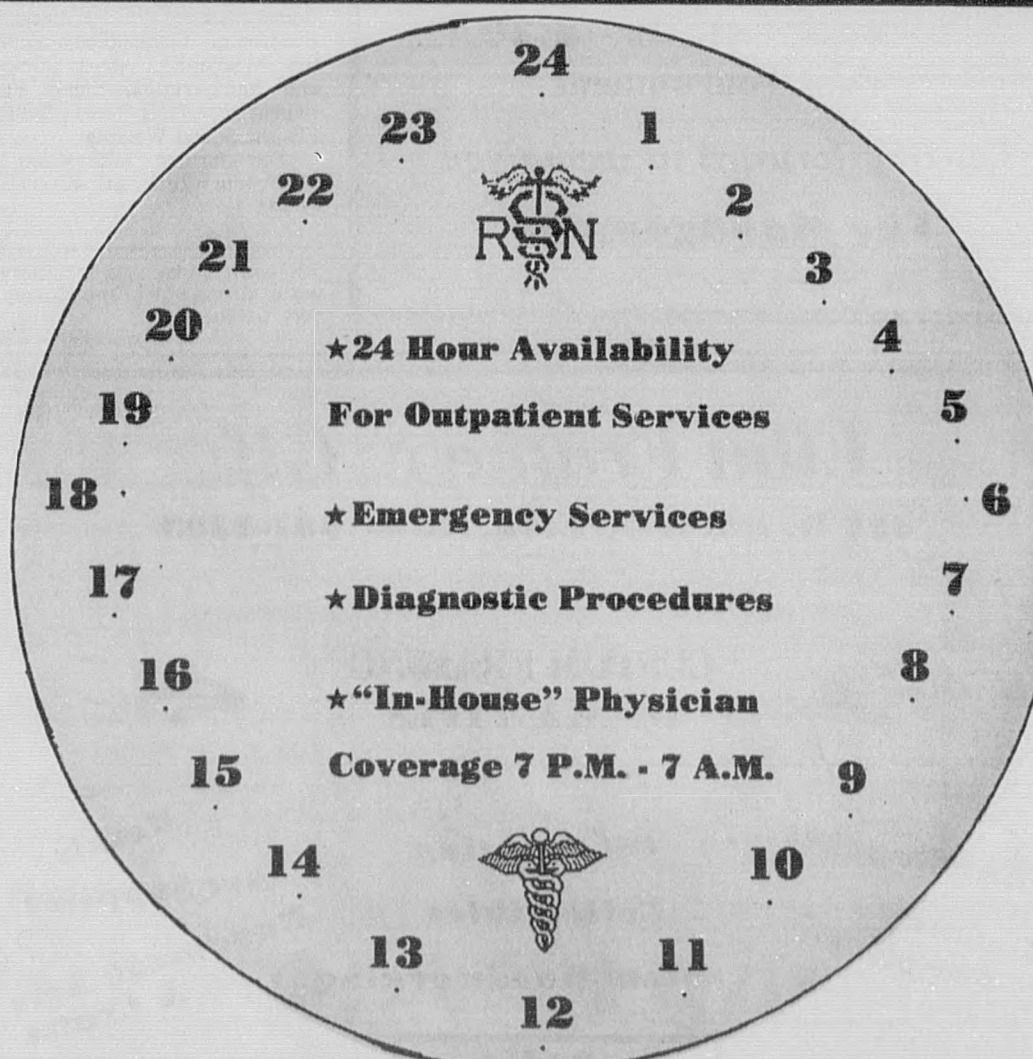
Keep children (and all non-working adults) off and away from farm equipment - don't give in to requests for a ride. Cabs are not a safe place for passengers, either, because they are not protected by safety belts and may distract the driver.

A tractor, combine or other self-propelled machine is not a suitable place to babysit. Arrange for child care away from work areas.

Remove keys from farm equipment when you park it, and lock the cab. Remove the keys from the ignition if you are working on the equipment - you would want the machine started unexpectedly.

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## Bryan Amlong Completes Basic Training At Ft. Dix

Army National Guard Pvt. Bryan H. Amlong, son of Rev. and Mrs. Ben Amlong of Rt. 1, Jack, has completed basic training at Ft. Dix, N.J.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Bryan is a 1987 graduate of Zion Chapel High School and is now in Maryland for his AIT training.

## Jurasek Attends Army ROTC Camp At Ft. Riley

Cadet Jeffrey W. Jurasek, son of James J. Jurasek of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Gloria J. Jurasek of Elba, received practical work in military leadership at the U.S. Army ROTC advanced camp, Ft. Riley, Kan.

The six-week camp, attended by cadets normally between their third and fourth year of college, includes instruction in communications, management and survival training.

Successful completion of the advanced camp and graduation from college result in a commission as a second lieutenant in either the U.S. Army, Army Reserve or National Guard for the cadet.

Jurasek is a student at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa.

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Organize for Success is the title of a course that will teach proven techniques to control paperwork and

organize the work place for effectiveness. The course meets from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Oct. 17.

Students will learn image skills for today's business professional in this one-day Saturday course. Emphasized will be the how-to's of projecting and maintaining a professional image. The class meets on Dec. 4 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

One hour of college credit is awarded for completion of each of the above mentioned courses.

Registration for these courses is open until the day of the class. However, Dr. David Chalker, associate dean, Admissions and Records, encourages interested persons to register early. Registration is in progress now and copies of the fall quarter schedule are available at the main campus and at Ft. Rucker.

In-state tuition is \$20 per credit hour up to a maximum of \$200 for 10 to 21 hours. Twenty dollars per hour is charged for each hour above 21. Military personnel and their families pay in-state tuition, and tuition is free for persons age 60 and above.

For more information about Saturday courses offered at ESJC or registration information, contact the Admissions Office at 393-ESJC or 596-3438.

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Water Oak	\$70.00	\$38.00
White Oak	\$70.00	\$38.00
Sycamore	\$70.00	\$38.00
Lepidodermis	\$25.00	\$15.00

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- Videographer (\$12,927 - \$18,741)
- Accountant I (\$16,968 - \$25,792)
- Graduate Civil Engineer (\$20,670 - \$31,356)
- Water Pollution Biologist I (\$16,968 - \$25,792)

Full information and application forms may be obtained from the State Personnel Dept. at Montgomery or from any local office of the State Employment Service. Applications should be filed by August 31, 1987.

These positions will remain open until further notice.

No auditions are required and no fee is charged. Members must furnish their own instruments.

Classes meet each Tuesday from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., beginning Sept. 15. Call 393-ESJC for more information.

## Area Civilians

### Honored At Ft. Rucker

Area civilians were among the 75 employees honored at Ft. Rucker recently during Incentive Awards ceremony.

Recipients of the Performance award included Elba resident Perry L. Stricklin of USAISC, New Brockton residents Mack D. Williams Sr. and Patricia N. Edwards.

Quality step increases went to New Brockton resident, Vernell H. Butt of USAANVND, among others.

Those discharged during the same period of time include: James Porter, Johnnie Smith, Mavis Legear, Escar Harrison, Ruth Hurrell, Sandy Flowers, Charles Caldwell, Johnnie Marler, Hardy Crosby, Lenard Cook, Jane Goodson.

## Registration Is Underway At MacArthur

Registration for day and evening programs is underway at Douglas MacArthur State Technical College for fall quarter classes beginning Tuesday, Sept. 8.

Applicants may apply for all 18 full-time day programs and evening courses in Typewriting, Accounting, Word Processing, Microcomputer Applications, Cabinetmaking, Communication, Electronics, Cosmetology, Automotive Mechanics, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, Small Engine Repair, Auto Body Repair, Industrial Electricity and Welding.

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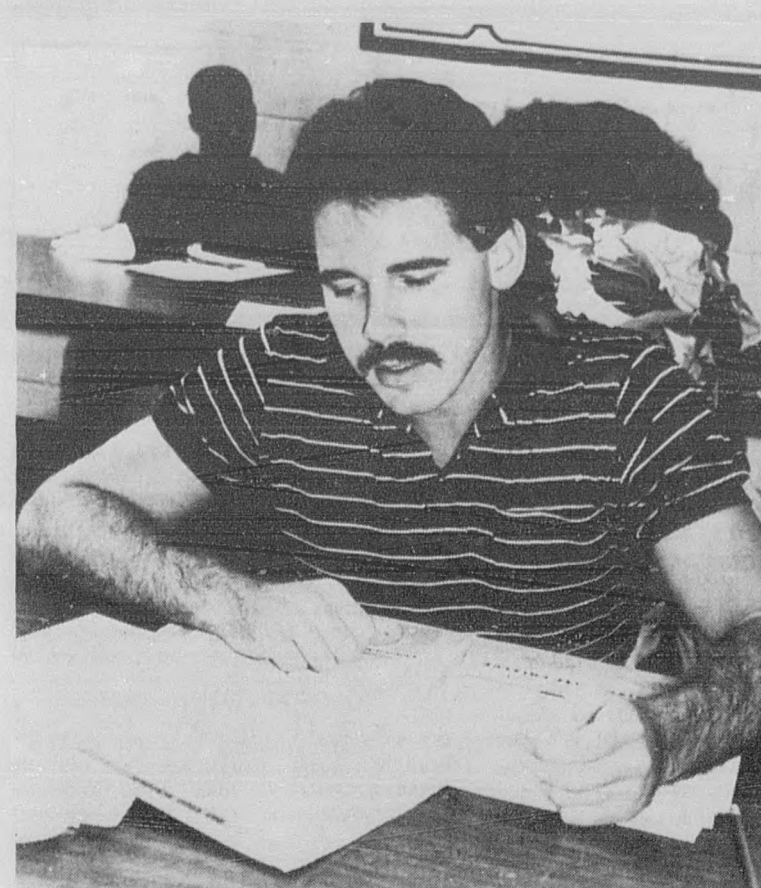
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**CHECKING OUT FALL CLASSES** - Michael Jones of Elba looks over the fall quarter courses offered at Enterprise State Junior College. He recently attended an orientation session at the college and completed his registration. Classes begin Sept. 14 and registration continues through the first day of classes. Call 393-ESJC for more information.

## FAMILY TALK

Glenda M. Smith  
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### HUSBANDS AND WIVES - GO ON A DATE

Husbands, listen up! When was the last time you took your wife out on a date? I mean a real date - just the two of you.

This does not have to be an expensive evening necessarily. It can be a hamburger and soft drink followed by a movie; it can be an evening spent at home - luxuriating in the night with friends and relatives. Ah, the luxury of sleeping late on a Saturday morning.

Talk with your friends who are parents -- they might want to swap out sometimes. It is possible they would welcome the opportunity of having an evening alone without having to worry about the expense of a babysitter or a curfew so that the babysitter can get home on time.

The time alone idea does not indicate that you are an inadequate parent nor that you do not love your children. It simply means you realize how important your personal relationship with each other is and how much it affects the attitudes of all the family.

So, do something daring. Go out on a date, spend an evening alone at home. Laugh, giggle, be silly with each other. It is good medicine for the marital relationship.

For further information, call me at 894-5573 or write to me at Coffee County Dept. of Human Resources, P.O. Box 448, Elba, AL 36323.

Thought: In truth, people can generally make time for what they choose to do; it is not really the time but the will that is lacking. Sir John Lubbock

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1. **Microwave**. This oven provides only microwave energy. It includes, however, ovens with a browning element.

2. **Microwave-Conventional**. This type combines microwave energy with electric heating elements in the same oven. The two energy sources can be used at the same time or separately.

3. **Microwave-Convection**. This oven combines microwave energy and moving air heated by a gas burner or an electric heating element. The burners or elements may be used separately or at the same time as the microwave.

Before buying and oven compare all brands of ovens. List features on each so you can make a wise decision. Always buy from a reputable dealer that will service the oven if you have any problems.

If you already have a microwave try some of my favorite recipes.

### NO CRUST FUDGE PIE

2 eggs  
1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup melted margarine or butter  
1/2 cup of flour  
4 tablespoons cocoa  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 1/2 cups chopped pecans

Mix all ingredients except nuts with an electric mixer on low or by hand until well mixed. Stir in nuts and spread in an oiled 9 or 10-inch glass pie plate. Cook at 350 degrees F. for 25 to 30 minutes. Do not overcook.

Or microwave on 1/2 power for 5-6 minutes, turn and microwave on high an additional 2-4 minutes. Top will be moist and look undercooked. Let stand 10 minutes before cutting. Delicious served alone or with whipped cream or ice cream for special occasions.

### LEMON CHEESE PIE

5 tablespoons butter or margarine  
1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs  
2 tablespoons white or brown sugar  
1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese  
2 eggs  
1/2 cup sugar  
3 tablespoons lemon juice  
1 tablespoon lemon peel  
1/2 cup dairy sour cream

Melt butter in 9-inch pie plate at High 45 to 60 seconds. Stir in crumbs and brown sugar. Remove 1 table-

spoon of crumb mixture and set aside. Press crumbs firmly and evenly against bottom and side of plate. (Pressing with a smaller pie plate or custard cup works well.) Microwave at High 1 1/2 minutes, rotating 1/2 turn after 1 minute. Cool.

In medium mixing bowl soften cream cheese at High 30 to 45 seconds. Beat in eggs, add sugar, lemon juice and peel. Blend in sour cream. Reduce power to 50 percent (medium). Microwave cheese mixture 4 to 5 minutes, or until thoroughly heated, stirring every other minute. Pour into pie crust. Sprinkle with reserved crumbs.

Microwave at 50 percent (Medium) 9 to 12 minutes, or until almost set. Center will be soft set and will firm up as it chills. Makes a 9-inch pie.

### CRAB-STUFFED CHICKEN BREASTS

1 can (5 oz.) crab meat, rinsed, drained and flaked  
1 egg  
1 tablespoon parsley flakes  
2 teaspoon lemon juice  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
2 whole boneless chicken breasts, skinned and halved, lightly pounded  
1 egg, beaten  
1/2 cup seasoned bread crumbs

In small mixing bowl, combine all ingredients except chicken, egg and bread crumbs. Place one-fourth of mixture on each half breast. Spread evenly. Roll breast up like a jelly roll. Dip each portion in egg and gently roll in bread crumbs, coat evenly. Place rolls seam side down in 8x8 inch dish. Cover with wax paper. Microwave at High 6 1/2 to 9 1/2 minutes, or until chicken is fork tender, rotating dish after 4 minutes, and rearranging without turning over rolls. Serves 4.

### BROCCOLI QUICHE

1 pie shell (9 in.), baked, cooled  
1 package (10 oz.) broccoli cuts  
3 eggs, slightly beaten  
1/2 cup milk  
1 can (3 oz.) French fried onion rings, divided  
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese, divided  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/8 teaspoon pepper

Defrost broccoli in package at High 3 1/2 to 4 minutes. Drain. In mixing bowl beat egg and milk; stir in broccoli, 1/2 can onion rings, 1/2 cup cheese, salt and pepper. Pour into pie shell. Microwave at 50 percent (Medium) 8 to 15 minutes, or until almost set, rotating 1/2 turn every four minutes. Sprinkle remaining onion rings and cheese over top. Microwave at 50 percent (Medium) 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 minutes, or until cheese melts. Let stand 5 minutes. Serves 4 to 6.

\*\*\*\*\*  
The brilliant colors of fireworks come from bright-burning metallic salts



**NEW BROCKTON CIVILIANS HONORED** . . . Two local residents honored during a Civilian Personnel Incentive Awards ceremony at Ft. Rucker on August 7 were Patricia N. Edwards (right) and Mack D. Williams Sr., both of the New Brockton area. . . . (U.S. Army photo by Spec. 4 Kelly Longhine)

## GTE Begins Work On Coffee County Cabling Projects

General Telephone of the South has announced that construction has begun on two projects to replace cabling in Coffee County.

One project involves approximately four miles of cabling along county routes 22, 30 and 39 west of the Basin Community in the Elba exchange.

The second construction project involves placement of new cabling

along a 3-mile stretch of County Route 21 north of Elba between the Lee and Zoar communities.

Both projects are scheduled for completion by late October. Customers in these areas will notice improved transmission quality, according to Rex Shiver, GTE's Customer Service manager, Ozark district.

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## Round And About With Eria

By Eria Belcher 897-2006

\*\*\*Do we begin again to commend ourselves? Or need we, as some others, epistles of commendation to you, or letters of commendation from you?

Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men; Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in such fleshy tables of the heart. And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward: Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God; Who also hath made us able ministers of the New Testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit; for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life. II Cor. 3:1-4

\*\*\*Thinking of you, praying for you: Mr. Ardis Williams, Mrs. Sherrie Foster, Mrs. Virginia McGowan, Mr. L.T. Wade, Rev. Freddie Flowers, Mr. C.W. Williams, Mr. J.L. Williams, Mrs. Corine Daniels and Mrs. Mary A. Hooks.

The 13th anniversary of the Jordanaires of Enterprise will be held August 22-23, with theme, "O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our Salvation." Psalm 95:1.

The Saturday night program will be held at 7 o'clock at the Southeast District Singing Convention Building, three miles west of Danley's Crossroads, near Elba.

A. Z. Stoudemire and the Traveling Stars will be in charge. Special guests will be the Zion Jrs. of Troy. Sunday's program will be held in the Enterprise Civic Center, with Willie Nickerson and the Flying

Clouds of Brundidge in charge; special guests The Gospel Travelers of Dothan.

Whether he wants to be or not, Long finds himself being looked upon as a model, and he tries to fit the role. His manner is personable and sometimes casual, but he also has a serious side.

Keep up the good work, David. Keep God first. Remember your relatives and friends in Glenwood and Elba. Love ya!

ERIA



CAPTAIN DAVID LONG

Captain David W. Long, a native of Glenwood, has been awarded a 3-year, full tuition Merit Scholarship plus an annual stipend of \$3,000 from Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in Macon, Ga. Long attended the University of Alabama on a 4-year ROTC scholarship and received the BS degree in 1982. He also received the Mary Burke Leadership Scholarship and the Elton B. Stephens Sales and Sales Management Scholarships. He is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership and Scholarships Honorary Society, the Order of Omega Interfraternity, Pi Tau Chi Religious Honorary, the President's Student Liaison Committee, The University of Alabama Equal Opportunity Committee and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Long was commissioned an officer in the U.S. Air Force in 1982 while serving at Moody Air Force Base in Valdosta, Ga. He earned the Master of Public Administration degree with honors from Valdosta State College.

Promoted six times in five years, Capt. Long earned the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal in 1985. He now serves as Logistics Officer of the F-15 Systems Management Division at Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, WRAFB, Ga.

He is married to Phoebe Givins

Long. He was raised in Glenwood by an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Long (nez) of Glenwood. Capt. Long is in law school in Macon, Ga.

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NOTICE  
The baby preacher of Montgomery will conduct a special Holy Ghost service at the Triumph Holiness Church Friday, August 28, beginning at 7:45 p.m.

The church is located on the Taylor Mill Road near Shipman's place, in Elba, Rev. Z. Nearer, pastor.

\*\*\*Think and think again: people would rather be "right" than happy.

\*\*\*You get treated in life the way you train people to treat you.

Selected



Kathleen Lanett Johnson Celebrates Birthday

Little Miss Kathleen Lanett Johnson, daughter of Otis and Joyce Johnson of Tusculumbia, was honored with a birthday party celebrating her sixth birthday at Spring Park in Tusculumbia, Sunday, July 26.

Twenty-seven guests enjoyed the park's facilities, as well as other games and activities. They were served a variety of delightful refreshments.

Kathy is the granddaughter of Grover and Eria Belcher of Elba, and Catherine Johnson of Leighton. She is a member of Hopewell Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Leighton and is a member of the Sunday School and Junior Choir. She will be a first-grader at the Southside Elementary School in Tusculumbia.

Her brother Theo lovingly calls her the "pest" or "pet peeve".

\*\*\*Just live on without accepting Christ as your Savior, and you will never be saved.

Selected

\*\*\*The elect are the "whoever" wills," and the non-elect are the "whoever won't's." H.W. Beecher

\*\*\*The little sins are the good alms.

Selected

WHO'S CRAZY?  
"You're Crazy," they said,

"To aim for the stars,  
"The stars are much, much too high."

"You're silly!" they shouted.  
"You're human,  
"You can't even fly."

And so I jumped  
And sprang and leaped,  
Laughing.

As they said,  
I did not reach the stars,  
But at least  
My feet left the ground.

Doyle King

\*\*\*On Gospel: Don't advertise: tell it to a gossip.

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\*\*\*A talebearer revealeth secrets,  
A gossip is the Lucifer match of the village.

None are so fond of secrets as those who don't mean to keep them.

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\*\*\*Have a good day and God bless.

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## Gimme That Old Time Religion

By: FAYE BROWN  
Moundville, Ala.

In late summer I get this empty feeling in my heart - like something big that I'd expected to happen just never did come off.

After the crops are laid by, the "maters are all canned, and the dog days are upon us - I pin down my longings: It is for the long-ago "protracted meetings", and the baptizing in the creek that always followed.

In anticipation of the revivals back then we sewed feed sacks and ironed for a week. We saved up sugar for pies and fattened roosters to kill. We kids grew anxious for the preachers to come - we knew Mama'd really pile up the table. Of course, sometimes the grownups ate all the good pieces of fried chicken and we little ones were left to gnaw the feet or the north-end-of-the-chicken-flying-south that Mama put into the dumplings.

Transportation to church was not easy back then. The families came in old trucks and jalopies occasionally, but most came in farm wagons, along hot, dusty roads.

Men and women usually entered the church and sat separately. The men sat in a side portion of the building near the preacher called the "A-Men Corner," supposedly to "holer." "A-MEN" occasionally encourage the preacher. (I have often pondered, however, if it wasn't just a cop-out to keep from helping their wives tend the babies.)

The wives laid the babies wherever they could find an inch, on quilts brought to church for that very purpose. They put them between the benches and in the aisles, they put them in the back of the church, handy for a quick exit. And a good friend of mine now gone to be with the Lord, Bro. Swann, said he once held a revival in a church where it was the custom to lay the babies in the altar area. As he preached one night the saints got happy and started shouting near the altar. The preacher said he held his breath and prayed, "Lord, Save the Babies!" And, "by God's Grace," he reported, "not a single little life was stomped out!"

But wherever the babies were, the little keen "hickories" (the lumps) and the cakies in many purses helped to keep them quiet. And when they went to sleep in summer their mamas tried to keep them cool with fans from the funeral home or the local Yellow Front Store.

There were a lot of distractions in church back then: the stifling heat in summer and the cold in winter. And, at night, the coal-oil lanterns that hung from the ceilings sending out smoke to blacken the glass chimneys in just one service and giving worshippers black lung to boot.

Sometimes other things made going to church difficult back then: like church pews which shifted and grabbed large portions of your posterior and pinched it until it turned blue (and you prayed your yelps would blend in with the shouting).

The clothing that had to be worn often didn't help, either. My pastor, Bro. Ed., says that a double miracle occurred the summer day he got saved: the second miracle being that he was ever able to concentrate on the sermon. You see, that was in the days before young boys were undergarments. And he was wearing his one pair of long dress pants - the heavy 100 percent wool trousers.

The lightning bugs and candle flies that flew in and out of the screenless windows were a nuisance. The bumblebees were a holy terror. But consider the story of "Ida and her church encounter with a red wasp": It is still making the local rounds after 50 years.

One Sunday morning it seems the proud lady sat erect, looking the

preacher dead in the eye. On her right side sat young daughter, Sara Jean, and on her left, the deacon chairman waiting to give the Sunday School report.

Feeling a slight twinge on her left hip Ida grimaced, but managed to maintain her composure. A moment later, when the twinge became a harp twitch she tried to hide her wry face. When the pain returned a third time, as a very sharp nip on her hip, the godly woman gave the elder a stern look, grabbed her daughter by the hand, and quickly left the sinful scene.

She exited the front door as a loud chorus swelled from the AMEN section, "Right on, brother, right on!" (Once inside the little tin toilet, however, she discovered that it was a nasty red wasp "pinching" her hip, and not the good brother gone astray.)

In spite of inconveniences and distractions of going to and being in church in days gone by, the most important element was definitely present - the Lord's Spirit was there. You could feel it in the praying and you could feel it in the singing of the old songs. Folks back then weren't afraid they'd warp their personalities by singing:

"Alas! and did my Savior bleed?  
And did my Sovereign die?  
Would He save that wretch that  
Heaven had sent down to hell,  
For such a worm as I?"

And when they really got to bearing down on "Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me," their cups started running over and they started jumping all around, shouting,

And the Lord's spirit started convicting the sinners, the young ones like me as well as the town's old drunks.

The first time I realized there was a wide gulf between me and my Creator that only Jesus could span was just after the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima. The country preacher painted such a picture of the coming judgement when the world would be destroyed with fire and brimstone (by the dropping of A-bombs, according to him) - well, his picture was so vivid in that 120-degree tin-roofed church in late July that I could feel the fires scorching me. Every time the dripping wet preacher reached for the glass of water on the pulpit's edge to get himself a sip, I kept thinking how I'd be in Hell, like the rich man, begging for someone to come with a drop of water on their fingertips.

As I felt the Devil's deceptive tug on my elbow I knew it was time to confess to God and Mama my fibbing about milking old Bossy and about switching Bill's new pencil.

When the folks started to sing, "Oh, why not tonight? Tomorrow's sun may rise, and bless thy long deluded eyes" ... and when the concerned Christians started weeping and arms-crossing the aisles, encouraging us sinners to come to the mourners' bench, I could not resist the wooing of His Spirit. It was there, as I prayed and others prayed, that Jesus came into my heart and changed my life - in the old-time way.

Forty years have come and gone. The mourners' benches in that and most other churches have been replaced by sophisticated counseling rooms. Churches now have the comforts of air conditioning, padded pews, and pest-controlled buildings. They have bought the latest in electronic equipment in an effort to make the music more appealing.

But, in spite of all the advancements, when late summer rolls around and an empty feeling along with make at the same time brings me back to that Old-Time-Religion Protracted-Meeting-Days.

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County Engineer Mark Pool stated at the last meeting that the county needed to do extensive work replacing road signs and striping all county roads across the county in an attempt to make the roads safer to travel, and at the same time bring the roads up to state highway department guidelines.

Low bidder on the signs was Traffic Signs of Jacksonville, Ala., with a bid of \$18,266.66 on the signs and \$4,926.20 for sign posts, for a total of \$23,192.86. The only other bidder was Vulcan Signs with a total bid of \$27,431.15.

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## Magwood death sentence upheld

The Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals announced last week that it had upheld the death sentence given to Billy Joe Magwood in the 1979

shooting death of Coffee County Sheriff Neil Grumman.

In making the announcement, the court ruled that Magwood was

properly sentenced to death when a circuit judge in Coffee County held a new sentencing hearing last year.

The latest ruling stated in part



**DRIVER ESCAPES INJURY IN MONDAY NIGHT WRECK** ... Dennis Lamont Hoomes of Rt. 1, New Brockton, escaped injury Monday night when the 1972 Ford LTD he was driving went out of control and struck a bridge railing on Highway 189 South, approximately nine

miles south of Elba. According to authorities at the scene, Hoomes apparently lost control of the vehicle and the car slid sideways into the guardrail of the bridge, resulting in the guardrail penetrating the vehicle.

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that "Nothing contained in this record even suggests that the trial judge imposed the death pe...ly under the influence of passion, prejudice or any other arbitrary factor."

The appeals judges ruled the death sentence was proper despite four mitigating circumstances and one aggravating circumstance cited by the circuit judge. The judge, acting after a federal court called for

a new sentencing hearing, found the four mitigating circumstances to be: Magwood had no significant history of prior criminal activity; Magwood was a relatively young 27 years old at the time; Magwood was under extreme mental or emotional duress; and Magwood's capacity to appreciate the criminality of his conduct was substantially impaired.

The aggravated circumstance listed was that Magwood murdered a

law officer while that officer was on duty. Magwood was allegedly motivated by revenge for his arrest for what he considered to be insufficient reasons.

In closing, the court stated, "Few crimes so tear at the very fabric of our criminal justice system as does the intentional killing of one charged with and actively engaged in enforcing the law."

## Multi-specialty physicians group to open clinic in Elba

In an continued effort to provide quality health care to area residents, Elba General Hospital is formulating plans with a multi-specialty physician group to open a clinic office in Elba, EGH Administrator Paul Grummer has announced.

Grummer said initial plans call for the multi-specialty group, which includes seven physicians, to open the clinic soon, and it will be located in either Dr. Bancroft Cooper's former office or one of the available offices across the street from the hospital.

Grummer said the group, which will be called Medical Associates Clinic of Elba, will include Dr. Warren Banach, gynecologist; Dr. Bancroft Cooper, general practice and surgery; Dr. Michael Morgan, general practice and surgery; Dr. Ben Parrish, internal medicine; Dr. Bruno Santa Rosa, general practice and surgery; Dr. Dan Sawyer, general surgery; and Dr. Sam Sawyer, general surgery.

The administrator said residents who would like to see a member of the group will be able to make an appointment with the local clinic. Each physician, who also maintains a practice in a surrounding community, will have clinic hours in Elba at least one day a week and will utilize Elba General for any needed diagnostic purposes or hospitalization.

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